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SUBJECT: PROPOSED EXCHANGE OF NOTES ON PORT ACCESS

REF: (A) WARSAW 5020; (B) STATE 190821

1. A NUMBER OF POINTS IN REF A MAY REFLECT MISUNDER-
STANDINGS ON IMPORTANT POINTS. (A) PREVIOUS PORT ACCESS
REQUIREMENT WAS FOR 14 DAY REQUEST NOT RPT NOT NOTIFICATION.
(B) THERE WAS NO EXCHANGE OF NOTES WITH POLAND ON PORT
ACCESS ON JANUARY 4, 1971. US UNILATERALLY INFORMED
POLES THAT PORT ACCESS REGULATIONS HAD BEEN MODIFIED TO
PROVIDE FOR 14 DAY REQUEST VICE 30 DAY REQUEST PROVIDED POLES
ACCORDED US SHIPS AT LEAST RECIPROCAL TREATMENT. (C) PROCE-
DURES WERE SUBSEQUENTLY STREAMLINED TO PERMIT REQUEST
TO BE MADE DIRECTLY TO COAST GUARD AUTHORITIES BY POLISH
SHIPPING AGENTS (RATHER THAN BY WRITTEN REQUEST THROUGH
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DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS) AND FOR PORT CLEARANCE OR REFUSAL TO

BE COMMUNICATED DIRECTLY TO POLISH SHIPPING AGENTS BY COAST GUARD.

THE PROPOSED EXCHANGE OF NOTES WOULD NOT CHANGE THIS PROCEDURE. IT WOULD ONLY REDUCE THE LENGTH OF TIME REQUIRED FOR PROCESSING REQUESTS FROM 14 CALENDAR DAYS TO 4 FULL WORKING DAYS. REQUESTS WOULD STILL BE MADE BY THE POLISH SHIPPING AGENTS TO THE COAST GUARD WHO WOULD REPLY (APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE) DIRECTLY TO THE SHIPPING AGENTS. FYI: REQUESTS FOR PORT ACCESS ARE GRANTED ABOUT

99 PERCENT OF THE TIME; EXCEPTIONS INVOLVE PORTS WITH SECURITY PROBLEMS. END FYI. INFORMAL CONTACTS WITH THE POLISH SHIPPING AGENTS HAVE INDICATED THAT THEY WOULD BE QUITE PLEASED WITH THE EXCHANGE OF NOTES LIMITED TO REDUCTION OF REQUIRED REQUEST TIME.

2. THE PROPOSED REVISION OF THE SECOND PARAGRAPH OF THE NOTE IN REF A WOULD NOT RPT NOT BE ACCEPTABLE IF IT BLURS THE DISTINCTION WE HAVE ALWAYS MADE BETWEEN REQUEST AND NOTIFICATION. BECAUSE OF POSSIBLE MISUNDERSTANDINGS ON THIS POINT, WE BELIEVE IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT EXCHANGE OF NOTES USE THE LANGUAGE IN REF B SPECIFICALLY CALLING FOR APPROVAL OF THE REQUEST FOR PORT ACCESS. THIS VERSION HAS INTERAGENCY APPROVAL AND THE ACTING SECRETARY'S AUTHORIZATION, WHEREAS PROPOSED SUBSTITUTION WOULD REQUIRE RE-CLEARANCE WITH ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES.

3. YOU SHOULD TELL THE POLES THAT THE EXCHANGE OF NOTES DOES NOT CHANGE THE CURRENT PROCEDURES IN ANY WAY EXCEPT TO REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF TIME IN WHICH REQUESTS WILL BE PROCESSED.

4. FULL AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH EXCHANGE OF NOTES ON PORT ACCESS HAS BEEN RECEIVED. AUTHORIZED TEXT IS THAT CONTAINED IN REF B. RUSH

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